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SWEEPING REFORM OF JUDICIAL PROCEDURE.

Recommended By Committee Report At American Bar Association Convention Today.

By Associated Press.

Detroit, Mich., Aug. 26.—At today's session of the annual convention of the American Bar Association, the committee appointed two years ago to consider the matter of unnecessary costs and delays in litigation submitted a report which advocates a gradual but sweeping reform in judicial procedure.

The committee reports satisfactory progress in bringing to the attention of congress the proposed laws to authorize the appointment of official stenographers for United States courts and to fix the compensation, to limit the setting aside of verdicts on error unless the error complained of shall appear to have resulted in a miscarriage of justice, and to permit the use of authorized printed copies of records in appealing cases, instead of written or typewritten manuscripts. Further, the committee outlined the general principles on which it considered the reorganization of state courts should eventually be effected.

FRATERNAL INSURANCE.

To Work Out Own Salvation. Legislation For New Companies.

By Associated Press.

Colorado Springs, Aug. 26.—The convention of national insurance commissioners today adopted committee reports recommending that fraternal insurances be left to work out their own salvation, and that legislation be advised in various states prohibiting new fraternal companies from doing business, unless they collect rates at least equal to those specified by the fraternal table.

Among the candidates mentioned for president is the present vice-president, Eugene McGivney.

CONFEDERATES PARADE.

Twenty Thousand, Many On Wooden Legs March.

By Associated Press.

Charlotte, N. C., Aug. 26.—Nearly 20,000 Confederate veterans, many of them on wooden legs, marched through the streets here today in the annual parade of the veterans of North Carolina. Three battle flags were carried in the procession and evoked unbounded enthusiasm from the thousands of spectators. The reunion will end with the camp fires tonight.

TO RAISE RATES TO BROWNSVILLE

EFFECT OF PETITION FILED BY ST. L., B. & M. ROAD.

Instead of Lowering Galveston Rates To Houston Basis, Asks Permission to Raise Houston Rates to Galveston Figures.

To The Herald:

Austin, Texas, Aug. 25.—Being defeated in its effort to retain the differential against Galveston which it has heretofore maintained, and ordered by the railroad commission to reduce its rates on freight from Galveston to the Houston basis the St. Louis, Brownsville & Mexico railroad company has asked the commission to permit it to raise the rates on Houston freight to the Galveston basis, rather than to lower the Galveston rates. This is the sequel to the suit long pending before the commission in which the Galveston Chamber of Commerce sought to force the Brownsville road to give it the same rates as those made on freight shipped to or from Houston over the same road. The only reason given in the petition is that a reduction in the Galveston rates would reduce the revenues of the road.

It is not believed here that the commission will grant the company's petition.

MILLIONAIRE DEAD.

Left This Country During Municipal Graft Exposures.

By Associated Press.

Pittsburg, Aug. 26.—Dallas Byers, a millionaire manufacturer, of this city, died today at Dinard, France, following a stroke of paralysis last Sunday. Byers left here during the municipal graft exposures several months ago. There was an indictment against him in connection with a city street ordinance.

AMERICAN MUNICIPALITIES LEAGUE IN CONVENTION.

Montreal, Quebec, Aug. 26.—Nearly one thousand delegates were present at the opening of today's session of the League of American Municipalities. In the absence of Clinton Woodruff of Philadelphia, secretary of the National Municipal League the address prepared by him was read by W. D. Lighthall, of Montreal. Mayor Maddox of Atlanta, Ga., made an address.

HARRIMAN'S SON MAY BE FIREMAN

NEXT STEP IN GAINING PRACTICAL EXPERIENCE.

Eldest Son of Railroad Magnate Goes to See Father on Latter's Return From Europe. Learning Railroad from Practical Experience.

By Associated Press.

Chicago, Ill., Aug. 26.—Having completed the first installment of practical experience that is to equip him to some day step into his father's place at the head of one of the greatest railway systems in the world, Walter Harriman, eldest son of Edward H. Harriman, on his way to New York where he will join his father just returned from a stay in Europe, passed through Chicago today. Speaking of his experiment, Mr. Harriman said he expected to continue his railroad education this winter, but not with the chain gang. "I've got to get wise upon all branches of the business, you know," he said. "After a visit with the folks and a short vacation, I expect to start in at the business again. I am now planning to spend considerable time in the operating department of some railroad. I don't know just what I will take up first, but will probably take a job as brakeman or fireman on some line and study that end of it."

MYSTERIOUS DISAPPEARANCE.

Zelido Warren Bunker, Impersonator, Missing From San Antonio.

By Associated Press.

San Antonio, Texas, Aug. 26.—An investigation started today into the mysterious disappearance of Zelido Warren Bunker, an impersonator, known over all vaudeville circuits, who went from here August 16. When last seen he was in his shirt sleeves and carried a pistol. Nothing has been heard or seen of him since the date named. He bid his friends here goodbye and left letters making disposition of his property. He is said to have been driven crazy and heart broken by some love affair.

INTERIOR DEPT. CRITICISED.

Officials are Said to Be Concerned in Exploiting Lands.

By Associated Press.

Washington, D. C., Aug. 26.—Officials of the Interior Department are busy today preparing a statement regarding the charges made by Louis Glavis, chief field officer of the General Land office in the Northwest with offices at Seattle. The report of Glavis was made to the president. He is understood to have attempted to show that high officials of the Interior Department were unnecessarily concerned in the exploitation of what is known as the Cunningham claims of valuable coal lands in Alaska.

HARRIMAN STOCKS WEAK.

Pacific Railroad Stocks Decline From 2 1/4 to 3 Points.

By Associated Press.

New York, Aug. 26.—Harriman stocks were weak again today at the opening of the stock market. Union Pacific opened at a decline of 3 points from yesterday's closing. Dealings in Southern Pacific were moderate with a decline of over a point soon after opening. Union Pacific preferred declined 2 1/4 points. There were also recessions of a point or more throughout almost the entire active list on exchange.

Union Pacific later went to 201 or a loss of 4 1/2. Among other losses were Union Pacific preferred 3 1/2, Southern Pacific 3 1/4, Reading 2 1/4, New York Central and Northwestern 2.

Union Pacific fell to 200 1/4, a loss from the opening price of more than five points. Sales of stocks during the first hour of trading aggregated more than 400,000 shares.

STILL FURTHER DROP.

In Harriman and Other Stocks During Afternoon.

New York, Aug. 26.—2:30 p. m.—Harriman stocks and United Steel again sold vigorously shortly before 2 o'clock and dropped to new prices. U. S. Steel broke to 75 and Union Pacific touched 199 1/4, an extreme loss of six points. Southern Pacific gave way 4 points in all.

Other Stocks Suffer.

New York, Aug. 26.—The stock market today continued to suffer from the effects of the liquidation of yesterday's 15,000 shares of Union Pacific selling at from 203 1/2 down to 202 1/4 compared with 205 1/2 where it stood at yesterday's closing. Material losses reaching a point or more were made by other representative stocks, including Southern Pacific.

Grain Market.

Chicago, Aug. 26.—Following are today's quotations:

	Wheat	Corn	Oats
Sept.	.97 1/2	.65 1/2	.66 1/2
Dec.	.99 1/2	.55 1/2	.66 1/2 to 66 3/4

AIRSHIP RACES STILL IN PROGRESS

LATHAM AND DE LA GRANGE FURNISH CHIEF FEATURES.

The Former Succeeds In Breaking World's Record For Time and Distance, In Spite of Trouble With Machine.

Rheims, France, Aug. 26.—The program the latter part of this aviation week includes a continuation of the trials for the Grand Prix de la Champagne, endurance tests, lap event, speed event race between dirigible balloons and landing competition for spherical balloons.

Latham in his beautiful monoplane was the first aviator to get away in today's endurance test race. He announced it as his intention to make an effort to beat Paul Hams' great record for the endurance prize, made yesterday, of 2 hours, 53 minutes and 24 seconds. Latham started flying at a great height. Sommer, Cockburn, Bunaerville, De La Grange and finally Glenn Curtiss, the American contestant, followed Latham into the air. All of the flyers, except Latham and De La Grange alighted without doing anything noteworthy. The most exciting feature of the event was when De La Grange, flying low, started to overtake Latham, who was then still high in the air. There was a pretty race for four miles, De La Grange finally overhauling Latham, when Latham, after covering 70 kilometers, (43.47 miles), was obliged to descend because of trouble with the ignition apparatus of his machine. Ten minutes later Latham was in the air again, racing with another machine.

In a second attempt this afternoon Hubert Latham, the French aviator, broke world's record for time and distance. Latham's fastest lap during the flight was 8 minutes, 32 1/2 seconds. His slowest was covered in 9 minutes, 7 seconds. He covered in all 95 1-10 miles.

BENZOATE OF SODA DISCUSSED.

Members of Remsen Referee Board Hold It Harmless in Food in Small Quantities.

By Associated Press.

Denver, Colo., Aug. 26.—Benzoate of soda, the preservative most commonly used in manufactured food products, was put on trial before the convention of the Association of State and National Food and Dairy Departments here today. Opposing forces included government chemical experts, including members of the Remsen referee board, who contend that benzoate is harmless, and some 200 state food commissioners and agriculturists delegated to the convention. Secretary of Agriculture Wilson was an interested spectator. Near him sat Dr. Remsen of Baltimore, Dr. Russell, H. C. Hittenden of New Haven, Dr. Long of Evanston, Ill., and Dr. Herter of New York, all members of the referee board of consulting scientific experts appointed by President Roosevelt to settle disputed points of the federal pure food law. Each member of the board read a paper upholding the conclusion that benzoate, when used in food in moderate quantities is harmless.

Accuses Government.

Accusing the federal government of licensing the sale of medicated food, fit only for sewers, Dr. Charles Reed of Cincinnati created something of a sensation in the convention. Dr. Reed differed very decidedly from the famous experts of the Remsen referee board of scientific experts. He declared that the board not only ignored the public welfare, but injured the standing of the United States government by causing it to sanction the use of benzoate of soda as a food preservative.

TENNIS AT NEWPORT.

Clothier Wins From McLoughlin In Three Straight Sets.

By Associated Press.

Newport, R. I., Aug. 26.—Wm. Clothier, of Philadelphia, a former tennis champion, won in three straight sets from Maurice McLoughlin, the national inter-scholastic champion in the tournament here today. Clothier will be given the right to challenge National Champion Larned for the laurels on Friday.

ASSOCIATED ADVERTISING CLUBS.

Honor and Advertise Kentucky and Texas at Louisville.

By Associated Press.

Louisville, Ky., Aug. 26.—Kentucky and Texas, most of the daughter states of the South, received exploitation today during the fifth annual convention of Associated Advertising Clubs of America, now in session in this city.

Senator Bradley of Louisville, spoke to invited guests at a function given by John Shawer, owner of the Louisville Herald, on "What the Bluegrass State has to advertise," and James Kirkland of Dallas, Texas, took for his theme "Texas Empire possibilities." Other speakers were Hugh Chambers, Detroit, Mich.; Geo. Barker, Dallas, Texas; S. S. McClure, New York; Jas. Schermerhorn, Detroit, Mich. and Ingalls Kimball, New York.

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LIVE TALK ON WATERWAYS

PRESIDENT HOLLAND OF INTER-STATE WATERWAYS ASS'N

Gives Brownsville Idea of Great Scope of Work of the Association and Enlists Citizens Here in Support of Organization.

A large, representative audience gathered at the Federal Court room last night to listen to the able address from C. S. E. Holland of Victoria, president of the Interstate Inland Waterways Association. Mr. Holland, who has been in Corpus Christi arranging details of the next convention of the waterways association to be held there Oct. 21, 22 and 23, came over here primarily to talk about that convention and to interest the people of this city in it. He also wished to acquaint the people with the workings of the association of which he is at the head and to enlist their aid, financial as well as moral, in promoting the work to which the association is devoted. That he presented his case well is shown by the motion passed providing for the appointment of a committee to raise a sum of money to be given to the association as an evidence of Brownsville's interest in the subject of inland waterways. Mr. Kibbe, who seconded the motion, suggested that \$400 be raised, part of which should be considered as payment of arrears, as this city has never contributed anything towards the support of this association. The rest to be regarded as an assessment for the present year. As this is more than any city outside of Houston contributes, President Holland was deeply gratified by this practical evidence of the interest of the people of Brownsville in securing inland waterways and of their approval of the manner in which the association is being conducted.

Mr. Holland is a fluent, forceful talker, who loves the work in which he is engaged and can talk about it interestingly and convincingly. He won his hearers right at the start by paying a well deserved tribute to Col. Uriah Lott for his great work in pushing railroads through the waste

places of Texas and kept them with him all the way through, arousing great enthusiasm when he declared that Brownsville, by the very fact of her isolation, was in a position to grow into a magnificent city—a city of 100,000 inhabitants, the only big one in this entire region.

Mayor F. J. Combe called the meeting to order and with a few well turned introductory remarks presented Mr. Holland. The latter began by outlining the subject of transportation in general and its meaning for this country. Without naming him, he referred here to the great services of the man who was mainly instrumental in connecting Brownsville with the outside world by railroad. He then gave a historical sketch of the movement to secure inland water transportation and told what organized effort had accomplished and was accomplishing, instancing that at the last session of congress \$350,000 was appropriated for the work at Aransas Pass, more money than any other project in the United States received at this session. In fact, Mr. Holland asserted, other project has ever received much money from congress in short a time as has that of the inland canal.

As an example of the immense saving in freight that the intercoastal canal would effect, Mr. Holland pointed out that it cost \$2.50 per bale to ship cotton by rail from Victoria to Galveston while by rail to Port Lavaca and thence by canal to Galveston \$1.50 would pay the freight, a saving in the shipment of cotton alone, in the figures of three years ago, of \$125,000. Likewise with coal, with a nine-foot barge canal, Pennsylvania coal can be laid down in Galveston much cheaper than the vastly inferior article from South McAlester, Okla., by rail.

Dallas at present is the center of the trade in agricultural implements. Mr. Holland pointed out. With canal transportation, barges can come direct from shipping points in the North to Houston, Corpus Christi and Brownsville, effecting a saving of thousands of dollars.

The speaker then took up the status of the intercoastal canal project at present, informing his hearers that the survey for the entire route had been completed and all but two sections recognized by congress and provided for, these two being from Sabine Pass to Galveston and from

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